## GREAT HAVOC, THREE DEAD

Parkersburg, W. Va., Had a Disaster To-day

Be Other Bodies in the Flood Ruins.

Parkersburg, West Virginia, March 19. -Three hundred thousand dollars' damage was done, at least three people were killed, and forty houses were more or less wrecked to-day as the result of the breaking of two water tanks on Prospect hill. It is thought that the break was

John W. McDonald, formerly a well-known newspaper man, but now employ-ed in Comptroller Metr's office, his son, John R. McDonald, and Mrs. J. W. Simp-son and her daughter were cut off by the flames. It seemed for a time that tate, valued at about \$350,000, was dithey must perish but the firemen made vided among a number of his grandchilstreet by means of extension ladders. of Boston, and the Gordon academy of Mr. McDonald and his son were taken Salt Lake City, Utah, each of the latfrom the eighth floor. Both were serter institutions receiving \$50,000.

The children of Mr. Gordon contested went off.

She add

number of firemen engaged in rescue marriage agreement between Mr. Gor. to Childs and making an appointment work were painfully burned and amdressing the wounds of the injured.

The upper floors of the apartment time instead of allowing it to accum house were gutted by the flames while late. The case was carried to the fed-the lower floors were badly damaged by eral court, and Judge Lowell today anwater. The loss is estimated at \$125,-

## CENTENNIAL HOUSE LOST.

Had Been Used as a Hotel Since 1718-Was Burned.

Kingston, N. Y., March 19 .- A number of nearby houses were threatened when Daughters of Vermont Hold Business the Centennial House at Old Hurley, three miles south of this city, the oldest hotel in Ulster county and one of the oldest in New York state, was totally lestroyed by fire yesterday. Active work bucket brigade of villagers presented the flames from spreading.

### UNION DEPOT BURNED.

night destroyed the Union depot, the worth and Mrs. T. IL Cross. right destroyed the Union depot, the terminal for five of the country's leading railroads. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. No one was seriously injured. Worth and Mrs. T. II. Cross.

The program for the afternoon consisted of selections by Miss Lucille Mobile 1 and so far has not been heard to declare has been bear to declare his intention of pressing his suit at present.

### WESTON'S RECEPTION

At Troy, N. Y., Was Enthusiastic, in Spite of the Hour.

Troy, N. Y., March 19 .- Edward Payson Weston, the veteran pedestrian was Moses and Miss elsaie Brown. is walking from New York to San Francisco, arrived in this city at 12:48 o'clock tea was served by Mrs. Harry Stone, this morning. He came on here from Mrs. T. E. Guild, Mrs. J. D. Wheeler, Rensselaer and was accorded a great reand Mrs. George Herbert Frost, They

Bad Roads Impeded Weston. Albany, N. Y., March 19 .- Although he countered bad roads yesterday, due to recent fall of snow, Edward Payson eston, the veteran pedestrian who plans in Which Abe Attell Easily Outpointed walk from New York to San Frano, appeared to be in good spirits upon

## \$10,000 DEMAND

FOR BUY'S RETURN

Bold Abduction at Sharon, Pa., Yesterday, and the Police Are Working

dollars' ransom is demanded for the return of William Whitla, Attorney James P. Whitla's eight-year-old son, who was spirited away from school here yesterday morning by an unknown man, fur-CITY WATER TANKS BREAK day morning by an unknown man, fur-One Church Swept from Its Foundation and Carried 25 Feet—There May

One Church Swept from Its Foundation is a covert threat that the boy will be killed unless the money is produced. The police of various cities have been asked to assist in the search for the boy and Hearing on Exceptions. his abductors.

Chief of Police Crain last night re ceived word that the rig in which the lad was taken away had been recovered at Warren Ohio, with the child's hat on the buggy seat. To the boldness and openness of the abductor is attributed the success in geting the child out or Sharon without exciting serious suspi-

cion.

He was of dark complexion and had dark hair and a stubby moustache and was stockily built. He spoke excellent English and evidently was American-born. Several persons say a confederate joined the kidnaper before he left the leased on \$3,000 bail.

It is not thought that his death will make any difference with the conditional offer of \$50,000 to Montpelier seminary as the school has until July 6 to raise the sum requisite to earning the proffer from Dr. Pearson.

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN.

The other children are Moses S. Gor-Most of the tenants escaped safely but don of Weatherford, Texas; Nathaniel a daring rescue and carried them to the dren, the Gordon Theological seminary

Several other tenants as well as a the will on the ground that under a to Childs and making an appointment bulance surgeons from two hospitals as gave him \$50,000 to be held in trust well as doctors from the nearby hotels for her elsildren, and to be distributed were busily engaged for a time in to them after his death. They claimed that he used this \$50,000 during his life nonnced his decision. After the \$200,-000 has been taken from the estate it is understood that the remainder will be distributed among legatees mentioned in the will, but in what proportion was not announced.

# TO ENTERTAIN FEDERATION.

and Social Sessions.

Vermont met at the Vendome yesterday and I will post a forfeit of \$25 any afternoon, Mrs. George H. Graves pretime is he accepts. As it was his statement in the first place, now in regards voted to entertain the Vermont state to Mr. Somerville. I will wrestle him federation in Boston next October. It is a mixed style, that is, Greco-Roman and burned building was erected in 1718 and expected that about 80 delegates will catch as eatch can. We toss up a coin had been used continuously as a hotel attend the meeting, and the headquartors before the Revolutionary war.

attend the meeting, and the headquartors to see who wins the choice of style, and the winner of the first fall shall will be discussed at the next meeting of

as accompanist. A comedy, "The Kleptomaniae," was given by members of the Melrose Highlands Woman's club. In the cast were Mrs. Eva B. Johnson, who is secretary of the Daughters of Vermont; Miss Grace P. French, Miss Young Gotch. Flora Ackerman, Mrs. Katherine Bur-

There was the usual social hour and Rensselaer and was accorded a great respition at the hotel where he put up. A growd of 600 met him at the city line and corted him to the hotel.

And Mrs. George Herbert Frost. They were absisted by Mrs. O. F. Allen, Mrs. growd of 600 met him at the city line and G. D. Wheeler, Mrs. Walter. Wyman, Mrs. Snow Rich, Mrs. P. J. McGrath, Mrs. W. P. Ruggles and Mrs. Arthur

### TEN-ROUND BOUT.

Patsy Kline Last Night.

## MRS. SILSBY CONVICTED

Sharon, Pa., March 19.—Ten thousand Of Manslaughter in Causing Death of E. C. Childs

blacking of two water tanks on Prospect
all. It is turning that the breast of the successful process are considered as the control of the successful process are considered as the control of the successful process and control of the successful processful pr

said that when Frances ran out of the house she followed and called her back.

Under cross-examination by Dist.-Attorney Higgins, she showed how she had struggled with childs for the revolver She demonstrated that both hands were in front of her and that that Childs had hold of her wrists when the revolver

on the night of the shooting, was written by her.

### YOUNG GOTCH CHALLENGES.

Will Take on Ewen or Semerville, Preferably the Latter.

Sporting Editor: Dear Sir:-I wish you would issue a challenge in your paper for me; after I wrestled Somerville in Barre there was a challenge put in the paper after I left town by Mr. Ewen. He stated he would like to wrestle me, but he never stated how much money he would bet. Now my weight is 140 but I will wrestle him in four weeks' time, best two out of three falls, catch Boston, March 19.—The Daughters of bet of not less than one hundred dollars, be, or we will wrestle a fall at each The treasurer, Miss Adelaide B. Slack style and the one that wins in the quick-

Young Gotch. Address, Herbert Edwards, care Jewett Atwood, Ascutney House, Clare-

### ORANGE.

Walter Johnson is sick with rheumatic fever.

Dean Peake is visiting friends and relatives in the city. The school directors meet Saturday with Miss Edna Beard.

Clyde Rogers has sold the Bugbee hill

### DR. PEARSON STRICKEN AT PASADENA, CAL.

Former Vermonter and Noted Philan thropist Died While Dreasing to Attend Meeting of Vermont

Association.

A telegram was received in Montpelier today stating that Dr. D. K. Pearson, the Chicago philanthropist who of fered a conditional gift of \$50,000 to Montpeller seminary, was stricken with TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED heart failure at Pasadena, Cal., last night as he was dressing to go to the meeting of the Vermont association of

Dr. Pearson was a native of Bradford Filed.

And was born in 1820. He got his medical education at the old school in Woodstock, practicing first in Massachusetts and then going to Chicago at the time that city was on the boom first. He made his money in that city and during the latter years of his life has spant 34,000,000 in gifts to schools and colleges.

It is not thought that his death will and was born in 1820. He got his med

the revolver away from her. She was forced on to her knees and against the dining room table. "At this point," she forms, tables giving the number of fasaid. "I gave one yank, and tried to get talities from the discuse, healthful and two Tills in H. O. Kent's Market Gave the revolver away, and it went off." She unhealthful surroundings and various appliances and means used in the cure of the disease.

### HIS LOVE SPURNED.

Californian Told a Tale of Woe to the Barre Police.

his feelings became such that he took went on the search this morning and the long trip from Riverside, California, decided to trail Pearl Downey, aged 17, to Barre, Vermont, with matrimonfal hoping to get trace of the right party intentions. When Mr. Would be benedict by watching the operations of the young arrived in this city, he hied himself to man in passing over silver if he should the domicile where the object of his make any purchases, since silver in large pounds and he weighs a good deal more; affections resides and declared himself. | denominations was taken from the store The lady looked. Then she started, and finally recovered herself. Then she but got no satisfactiont here, and then and finally recovered herself. Then she but got no satisfactiont here, and then on Board of Assessors, Being Appointed explained that she would be unable to trailed the young man to the Central entertain him at her residence at that Vermont station, meanwhile notifying

time, but made one of those arrangements the banks of his suspicions. Before los vulgarly called a "date" to meet him on a call came to him that Downey was at the street that evening. The Californian one of the banks, and the chief went was on hand at the proper time, awaiting an opportunity to declare his intentions, but the lady failed to appear. Still he did not propose to give up after traveling over 3,000 miles to meet the lady, and he again sought her company.

He again went to the house, and, put Was The Terminal of Five Leading of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury. The following nominates the treasury. The following nominates the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury. The following nominates the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the treasury of Malden reported a balance of \$448 in the ting on a brave front, walked to the Railroads.

Railroads.

Louisville, Ky., March 19.—Fire last high destroyed the Union depot, the worth and Mrs. T. il. Cross.

The following nominating that fall shall be. I must on a side bet and winner take all will suit me. I have been up in New York state since I left Barre and won over some good worth and Mrs. T. il. Cross.

The following nominating the treasury. The following nominating committee was appointed: Mrs. L. Hale chairman, Mrs. Cora L. Gleason, have been up in New York state since I left Barre and won over some good worth and Mrs. T. il. Cross.

The treasury of the t

## CRUSHED BEYOND RECOGNITION.

Waltham, Mass., March 19.—Samuer Febree was instantly killed this morning while attempting to cross the tracks at the Spring street crossing of the Massa-chusetts Central railroad. Ten cars passchusetts Central railroad. Ten cars pass-ed over his body, crushing it beyond Helen Bruce and votal selections were Four vacancies in the fire dep

### FIRE ON BROADWAY.

With Loss of \$50,000.

New York, March 19 .- Fire destroyed lot to Clayton Tucker of Barre.

Calvin Chrpenter has returned from a two weeks' visit with friends in Huntington.

a six-story building at 181 Broadway, occupied by a large number of small shops, to-day. Most of the shops lost their contents. The loss is about \$60,-

## **BURGLARS HAD** BEEN IN STORE

West Barnet Merchant Was Robbed Last Night

This It the Third Time in Two Years That Leslie H. Thornton's Store Has Been Burglarized-Loss Today Was Small,

morning, he found that a burglar or burglars had preceded him and that they had stolen perhaps \$40 worth of jeweiry, watches, etc. Two men, John Cook and George Menosh, were soon arrested on the charge of being implicated in the count was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day was taken up to-day with the trial of Paton was taken up to-day w

Up \$20 to Robber, Who Concealed Himself in Store Before Closing Time.

When the Montpelier police were making their rounds last night, they discov. McConachie were held at two o'clock, ered that the back door in the store of vesterday afternoon at her late home ticular being a prepossessing young lady robbed to the extent of \$20, the money from the Ladies of Clan Gordon and

When accused of the theft, young Downey broke down and confessed, saying that he needed the money. The policeman found \$16 on his person.

### TOOK POSSESSION.

Of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams' Home and Then Left a Buffet.

Yesterday being the 14th wedding anof their friends, led by Mrs. James Cur- No one accuses the aldermen of attempt tis and Mrs. George Chambers, took pos-ing to stuff the ballot-box, and the dis-session of the house at 8 o'clock last crepancy is accounted for by the belief host and hostess, who had been detained attached to each other that they went lown town, to return. When the couple into the hat like Siamese twins.

Many Small Shops Burned Out To-day, of the "Ham Bone" took what cake

was not already engaged. George Chambers was chosen to make a speech and in behalf of the company did so in a very fitting manner and Malden Men Were Fined To-day for Runclosed by presenting Mr. and Mrs. Wil-liams a handsome buffet as a token of their friendship. Mr. Williams, in responding, thanked all who had in any

#### JURY DISAGREED AFTER TWENTY-TWO HOURS

In Case of Fullerton vs. Tracy and Howe Which Was Tried in Washington County Court-A Barre Town Case Next Heard.

After being out twenty-two hours in a vain attempt to agree on a verdict, the jury in the Washington county court case of Fullerton vs. Tracy and Howe was discharged to-day by Judge Stanton, and the case will have to be tried again. The suit was brought for a commissio on a real estate deal.

It went to the jury at eleven o'clock yesterday forenoon. At the opening or court yesterday afternoon the jury came in and asked for information as to the amount of the award should they render a verdict for the plaintiff. Judge Stanton told them that they were the sole judge of the amount to be awarded, and the jurymen went back. They returned to court last evening with a report that St. Johnsbury, March 19.—When Leslie to court last evening with a report that they could not agree, and were sent back by the presiding judge for further effort. Washington county have made their apmorning, he found that a burglar or morning, he found that a burglar or morning they again stated that they

four persons, saw some thrilling rescues and brought more or less fright to the many patrons of the fashionable Plaza hotel, which immediately adjoins the burning building.

The fire started in the fifth floor of the apartment house and quickly extended to the upper floors. Twenty-four families occupied the building.

The other children are Moses S. Gor.

The daughter and other witnesses in al.

Continuing. H on the charge of keeping. Bail in this H. Lake, H. M. Brown. case was \$500, which makes her total Fair Haven—Thoma ROBBED LAST NIGHT unable to secure the amount of her bail and was taken to the county jail this morning to await trial in county court.

## MANY FRIENDS PRESENT.

At The Funeral of Mrs. James McConachie, Held Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral services of Mrs. James A stranger wandered into the police station yesterday and imparted to the police a harrowing tale of the fickleness of woman, and the woman in this particular being a prepossessing young lady with resides in this city. It started something like this: The man in the case and the woman, who refused to concealed himself in the store before it started by someone who sider herself a party in the case at the concealed himself in the store before it was closed last evening, and that when

## ERED L. PAGE TAKES FORMER POSITION

by Mayer Robins and Confirmed by the Aldermen, Four to Two.

of the city, caused by the recent resignation of Alland G. Fay, was filled by the his friends to exert themselves through city council at a special meeting which out the county for him and accepting was held last evening, Fred L. Page, a the office as a result of their successful former assessor, being chosen. The ap- efforts, is honorable conduct, and the pointment of Mr. Page was confirmed by the aldermen by a vote of four to the earliest opportunity. I have faith two, after a little flurry had been caused in the voters, and believe they like a on a previous ballot, when there were "square deal." diversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wil-liams of 230 South Main street, forty vote stood four to three for confirmation.

Body of Samuel Febree Run Over by finally arrived and had turned up the Assessor Page has had considerable lights they were surprised, indeed, at the band of raiders who filled the house.

Waltham Mass March 19 Samuel the band of raiders who filled the house. The evening was then passed very pleasantly, all doing something to make the occasion one to be long remembered by the happy couple. Several selection, when two members will be chosen, as the term of Assessor December 12, when Mr. Wheeler filed a

> Four vacancies in the fire department sung by Chrissie Chambers, Roxie Bruce and Ella Williams. Cake, fruit, tea and coffee were served during the even
> William Dickie and Perry N. Wheeler as from Montpeller, where he worked at

### DEFIED HEALTH BOARD.

ning Slaughter-house.

continued on to Troy.

Weston came from Hudson, making at the new to a secondary of the first and Castleton. He was accompanied from Hudson by Join J. Color from Hudson by Join at ten round bout here last night. In term of United States courts will be held at Brattlebroo Segiming Monday after provided Indially. The court would not be reminded of it daily. The court would not be reminded of the Lor from Hudson by Join J. Color from Hudson by Join at ten round bout here last night. In the local court this morning imposed in the local court this morning imposed in the local court this morning imposed fine the local court this morning imposed the local court this morning in the local court this morning in the local court this morning in the local court this mark of J. Co. Feske dea to Join the local court this mark of J. Co. Feske the Nonaura at East

## NORTHFIELD COMMISSION

Was Appointed by Assistant Judge of County

#### CONSIDERED A GOOD ONE

Andrew E. Denny, James Powers and Charles M. Davis Will Have Charge of License in Washington Co.'s Only "Wet" Town,

missioners in the wet towns of Rutland county. Castleton-Michael O'Day, Arthur Fair Haven-Thomas E. lichard T. Jones, Oliver A. Proctor.

Poultney-Thomas J. Roberts, Arthur E. Horton, George, H. Ripley Wells-C. E. Lewis, George H. Goodspeed, Lester L. Hobson. West Rutland-John Nelan, H. C. Bloomer, F. A. Morse.

### DEFEATED CANDIDATE MAKES A STATEMENT

Probate Judge Canvass. last moment, were brought into correlast moment, were brought into correspondence by the means of a matrimonial
agency.

She resided in Barre, he on the Pacific
coast; but as the letters were exchanged

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were the bearers were Alexander Buchan
and town committees throughout the
mile. The bearers were Alexander Buchan
and Murdo Patterson.

Interment was made in the family so ably assisted and supported me in
both in Hope cemetery beside her husletters were exchanged

were Alexander Buchan
and town committees throughout the
county, and to all my loyal friends who
lot in Hope cemetery beside her huslot in Hope cemetery beside her husband, who died a little over a year ago.

went on the search this morning and sistance and kind words in my behalf. I feel that old friendships have been strengthened, and new ones formed that will be lasting. I deeply appreciate the help extended, and hope that the day when I may reciprocate will soon come.

Mr. Martin and I had a fair agreement to leave the matter to the lawyers or this city to choose between us, and upon their choice to abide by the result, the one selected to be the only candidate from this city. The choice fell in my favor. Mr. Martin came into my of accepted the result, and agreed to fully The vacancy on the board of assessors withdraw as a candidate.

Whether his later conduct, in view of this agreement and action, in permitting

Respectfully. H. William Scott.

### WILL RE-OPEN STORE.

evening and silently waited for the that two brotherly "no" votes got so George W. Lander Takes the P. M. Wheeler Tobacco Stand.

petition in bankruptey.

Mr. Lander is a eigarmaker of many his trade for five years. Since coming to this city, Mr. Lander has been employed by first the Marrion and then the Wheeler store, and for the past two years has been running a business for himself, first on Pearl street and then at the Northern hotel.